

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 23-25, with the following amended paragraph:

Preferably said screening apparatus further includes one or more hydraulic motors for driving said banks ~~to of~~ blades, said motors supported on said screen frame and wherein hydraulic fluid for said motors is derived from said earthmoving vehicle.

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, line 28 -- page 6, line 13, with the following amended paragraph:

When the frame 12 of apparatus 10 is connected to say a bobcat or front end loader, the bobcat or front end loader can be used to manipulate the frame 12 to scoop up a supply of particulate material which is supported on the blades 20, and if desired elevate the frame 12 above the ground so that a pile of screened material can be formed below. Then the hydraulic motors 32 ~~is~~ are activated to cause rotation of the blades 20. As the blades rotate they agitate the particulate material and allow particles of a size smaller than the sizing gap G to pass between the banks of blades 16 and through the open bottom 14. The blades 20 may also act to crush or break the particulate material down to a size which will pass through the sizing gap. Material which is of a size larger than the sizing gap and is not crushed or otherwise broken (hereinafter referred to as "oversized particles") remain on top of the blades 20. Eventually, the amount of oversized particles supported on the blades 20 reaches a stage where it prohibits the efficient screening of any further particulate material. At this time, the oversized material is simply dumped from the frame 12 at a suitable location.

Please replace the paragraph on page 6, line 16 – page 7, line 8, with the following amended paragraph:

Now that an embodiment of the apparatus 10 has been described in detail it will be apparent to those skilled in the relevant arts and that numerous modifications and variations may be made without departing from the basic inventive concepts. For example, the present embodiment illustrates the use of five banks 16 of blades. However, the number of banks can be varied to suit the application at hand. Also, the outer most banks 16A and 16E ~~as are~~ shown as being raised above the remaining banks to form a cradle like structure or shape of banks 16. However this is not necessary; in other configurations all the banks 16 can be in the same plane, or arranged in an alternating "up and down" configuration. Further, the degree of freeplay in the banks 16 can be made adjustable to allow adjustment of the freeplay for different applications. This can be provided for by simple known mechanical devices such as threaded collars, lock nuts and shims etc which can be moved axially along the axle 30 and then locked in place. Also, while the frame 12 in this embodiment is in the form of a bucket or scoop from a bobcat or front end loader, it can take any other suitable form such as a simple rectangular or square box like structure having an open top and an open bottom. Any type of particulate material can be screened, crushed, mixed or blended with this apparatus such as for example gravel, sand, soil, aggregates, humus etc. Also, while the banks 16 are described as being rotated in the same direction, they can be arranged to rotate in different directions by use of conventional gearing. All such modifications and variations together with others which would be obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art are deemed to be within

the scope of the present invention the nature of which is to be determined from the foregoing description and the appended claims.